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National Broiler Market At-A-Glance



Whole broiler/fryer prices are higher in the Midwest and East, but unchanged in the West when compared to last week prices. Offerings of all sizes are light to moderate for trade needs. Demand into retail and food service channels is light to moderate following the weekend. Floor stocks are light to moderate with sizes desirable. Market activity is moderate to active. In the parts structure, movement is moderate. Prices are steady to firm for wings, mostly steady for breast items and dark meat cuts. Availability is light for wings with smaller sizes in the closest balance. The remaining items are light to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate with weights in a full range.

Final Prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers and FOB Dock at major market areas (cents per lb) Week of 17-Oct-2011

	Grade A		Composite	
	Maj	Wtd Avg	Lds	Wtd Avg Lds
Delivered to First Receivers 1/:				
Boston/New England	TFEWR			73.75 12
Ohio Cities	TFEWR			73.09 12
Denver	TFEWR			85.00 10
Detroit	TFEWR			70.15 20
Los Angeles	98.00	94.22	25	86.01 63
New York	65.00-68.00	67.32	19	70.69 38
Philadelphia	64.50-66.00	65.68	11	67.61 23
Pittsburgh	64.00-67.00	66.18	11	75.49 52
St. Louis	TFEWR			67.90 16
San Francisco	98.50	93.94	9	85.15 24

Chicago	Whole Body 2/:		Composite	
	Maj	Wtd Avg	Lds	Wtd Avg Lds
	65.00-71.00			68.10 42

Composite Weighted Average 3/:			
Loads	10/17/11	Change Last Wk	10/10/11
312	75.60	3.31	72.29
			10/18/10
			80.03

WOG Broilers 4/:			
	Majority	Wtd Avg	Lds
Eastern	71.00-73.00	72.31	29
Central	63.00-70.00	69.17	71
Western	69.00-79.00	76.74	28

FOB Dock Equivalent 5/:			
Mississippi	Range	Wtd Avg	Lds
	81.00-86.00	82.18	22

- 1/: Includes branded product.
- 2/: Whole Body category includes whole body birds with or without giblets, all grades, brands, and packaging.
- 3/: Includes all whole birds shipped into listed cities including Chicago.
- 4/: Delivered first receiver, trucklot and less than trucklot volumes.
- 5/: Southeast area.

Georgia Fob Dock Prices Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is **89.00** cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/12 to 3 pound birds.

Loads	Range	Monday Final Wtd Avg Fob Dock or Equivalent
964	66.00-98.73	87.78

Georgia f.o.b. Dock confirmed final weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

Item	Wtd Avg (Cents per Pound)	Volume (000 Pounds)
Line Run Tenders	183.50	1,747
Breasts - B/S	145.50	7,550
Breasts - Whole	81.00	1,459
Thigh Meat - B/S	128.50	1,207
Thighs	72.50	1,104
Drumsticks	72.00	1,144
Leg Quarters	53.00	10,254
Wings	114.00	3,683

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture, Poultry Market News Service.

Northeast Prices are trending steady to firm for most sizes. Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers is moderate as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Offerings of all sizes are in good balance and clearing well. Trade activity is moderate to instances active. In the parts complex, supplies of wings, boneless skinless breast and tenders are moderate. Other items are at least sufficient for current needs with thighs and thigh meat noted as slightly more available.

Southern Whole broiler/fryer prices are firm. Supplies of all sizes are light to moderate for current trade needs. Demand following the weekend is moderate for late week business. Market activity is moderate to active. In the parts structure, movement is mostly moderate. Prices for wings are firm to higher with good movement. Dark meat items are trending steady to firm with interest aided by export. Breast items are mostly steady. Supplies for wings are firm, steady for dark meat items and breast items. Market activity is moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate. Weights are mixed, but mostly desirable.

Western Final majority prices were unchanged from last Monday. Prices trended fully steady to firm. Offers light to moderate. Demand was light to moderate with best movement on featured items and wings. Floor stocks light to moderate. Weights desirable. Parts supplies were light to moderate with wings in the shortest position. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average is 76.94 cents, up 5.69 cents on 17 loads. Trading: boneless skinless breasts 111-120, tenders 124-135, bone-in breasts 72-97, legs 67-81, leg quarters 52-64, 4-10 leg quarters 51-58, drums 62-75, thighs 67-81, thigh meat 115-138, leg meat 107-121, wings 117-136 cents delivered.

Midwest Final majority prices were sharply higher into the Chicago market; Ohio cities, Detroit and St. Louis were TFEWR. Whole broiler fryer prices were steady to fully steady; offers light to moderate for the fair interest. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate at best. Floor stocks were light to moderate; weights desirable to heavy. Whole bird market activity was light. Supplies of breast cuts were moderate with the balance of parts light to moderate. Prices were mostly steady for dark meat items, firm for wings and steady on breast cuts. Market activity was light to moderate for all parts.

Delmarva Less-than-trucklot asking prices are unchanged at 68 to 77 cents with a firm trending undertone. Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds is moderate to good entering the week as dealers assess current market conditions. Offerings of all sizes are in good supply. Live supplies are moderate; weights are mixed, but reported as mostly desirable. Processing schedules are moderate. Market activity is moderate to active. In the parts complex, offerings of wings ranged light to moderate. The balance of items are available.

*Broiler/fryer current negotiated prices for immediate delivery includes mostly multiple-drop shipments of branded and wing tagged to New York City from Delmarva

Branded U.S. Grade A	
Range	57-85
Weighted average	(a)
No. Of boxes	(a)
(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.	

Northeast Broiler/Fryer Parts Prices are trending at least steady for tenders and boneless skinless breast; steady for the balance of items. Trucklot buying activity was moderate as dealers assess market conditions entering the week. Supplies are mostly moderate for wings, breast items and tenders. Dark meat cuts are at least sufficient for current needs with thighs and thigh meat noted as slightly more available. Movement is moderate.

Ice packed broiler/fryer parts, delivered to first receivers in pool trucklot and trucklot quantities, cents per pound

Item	Current Negotiated Trading*	Wtd Avg**	Volume /lbs.
Breast - B/S	135	121.51	617,880
Tenderloins	125	124.97	99,040
Breast - With Ribs	73-74	86.84	64,813
Breast - Line Run	73	75.66	68,400
Legs	68-69	69.01	120,880
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	48-49	53.37	243,853
Drumsticks	60-61	72.07	48,600
Thighs	70-71	74.77	53,200
B/S Thighs	133-134	136.23	55,760
Wings (Whole)	112-113	117.75	160,840
Backs And Necks (Stripped)	16-18	18.00	14,880
Livers (5 Pound Tubs)	50-55	54.26	4,560
Gizzards (Hearts)	65-70	66.83	65,560

New York City Metropolitan Area, northern NJ, MA, CT, RI, & PA (northeast of Harrisburg).

* Today's negotiated sales as of 11:30 a.m.

** Weighted average price of all grades and brands of product shipped, or to be shipped as of 1:30 p.m.

Estimated Slaughter of Broiler/Fryers

	Estimate (1,000)	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wts	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wts
Alabama	10/17	10/13	10/13	10/10	10/06
Arkansas	3,838	3,680	5.69	3,816	6.26
Delmarva	4,792	4,643	5.72	4,793	5.77
KY-LA-TN	2,138	2,204	6.18	1,934	6.31
Mississippi	2,419	2,470	5.27	2,411	5.25
North Carolina	2,963	2,940	6.02	2,774	5.83
Texas	2,680	2,592	7.25	2,582	7.16
Total	2,423	2,487	7.92	2,370	5.56
Mon	21,253	21,016	6.20	20,680	6.01
Mon	21,253(A)			20,680(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 17-Oct 2011 is estimated to be 31,797,000 up 2.47 percent from a week ago. and down 3.8 percent from a year ago. (last week 31,032,000 last year 33,055,000)

Southern States Broiler/Fryer Parts F.O.B. Dock or equivalent, iced-packed, prices shown are day of shipment (includes current and prior negotiations), trucklot and less than trucklot volume, cents per pound.

Item	Pounds (000)	Range	Maj	Wtd Avg
Breast - B/S		Too Few to Report		
Tenderloins		Too Few to Report		
Breast - Line Run		Too Few to Report		
Front Halves		Too Few to Report		
Legs		Too Few to Report		
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	444	43.00-50.00	-	45.97
Leg Quarters (4/10)	802	48.00-52.00	-	50.50
Wings (Whole)		Too Few to Report		
Wings (Cut)		Too Few to Report		
Drumsticks		Too Few to Report		
Thighs		Too Few to Report		
B/S Thighs		Too Few to Report		

Whole Body Index Based on Southern States Parts Trading for October 17, 2011 -- f.o.b. dock

Range	Today's Average	5-Day Average
51.50 - 55.00	52.99	52.19

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

Midwest Region Broiler/Fryer Parts

Ice-Packed Pool Trucklot and Trucklot Quantities

Delivered To: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, & WI

Week of 17-Oct-2011 to 21-Oct-2011, Cents per Pound

	Price per Lb.	Mostly
Breast - B/S	105.00 - 130.00	111.00 - 122.00
Tenderloins	117.00 - 139.00	117.00 - 128.00
Breast - Line Run	69.00 - 100.00	71.00 - 82.00
Legs	67.00 - 72.00	-
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	43.00 - 59.00	45.00 - 52.00
Leg Quarters (4/10)	51.00 - 59.00	52.00 - 57.00
Drumsticks	52.00 - 66.00	-
Thighs	61.00 - 78.00	-
B/S Thighs	126.00 - 137.00	-
Wings (Whole)	108.00 - 130.00	114.00 - 119.00
Backs and Necks (Stripped)	17.00 - 40.00	-
Livers	32.00 - 49.00	-
Gizzards (Hearts)	40.00 - 59.00	-

California Processed Poultry – cents per pound

Southern (L.A. Area)

Delivered to Restaurants and Institutions

	Range
WOGS 2# & Up - Whole	101-119
WOGS 2# & Up - Cut Up 8 & 9 Pieces	105-120
Frozen Ducks	
Frozen Squabs	

Delivered To Retailers

	Range
Fresh Fryers	109-122
Roasters 4# & Up	129-139
Ducks	
Rabbits-Whole	
Rabbits-Cut Up	

San Francisco

Delivered to Restaurants and Institutions

	Range
Fresh Fryers	Dry Pack 129-188
	Ice Pack
Roasters 4# & Up	Dry Pack 124
	Ice Pack
Ducks	235-279

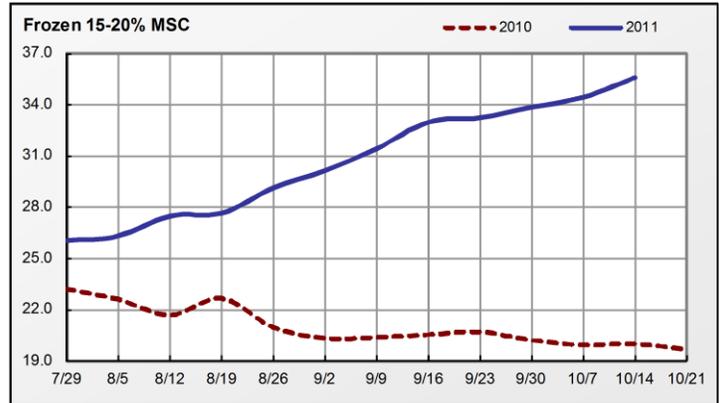
National Mechanically Separated Chicken

(FOB Shipper Dock or equiv., negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes reported in thousand lb. quantities, cents/lb.; delivery within 2 weeks.)

Prices trended steady to firm on frozen 15-20% and steady on the balance of fat contents. Supplies of MSC were light to heavy. Schedules were normal. Domestic demand was moderate. Export demand was moderate to good with good interest on frozen 15-20% for Asia, Central America, and the Caribbean. Many in industry closely watch the ever fluctuating and unpredictable marketplace in hopes of garnering some kind of insight and direction into its future. A variety of factors continue to hold heavy influence over the marketplace (i.e. production cutbacks, raw material availability and values, high input costs, unusually prolonged good demand for finished products, etc.). Contract negotiations for 2012 are in full swing for most of the industry with little to report. Market activity was moderate to instances active. Supplies of raw materials were light. Frames traded mostly between 12.5-15.5 cents FOB.

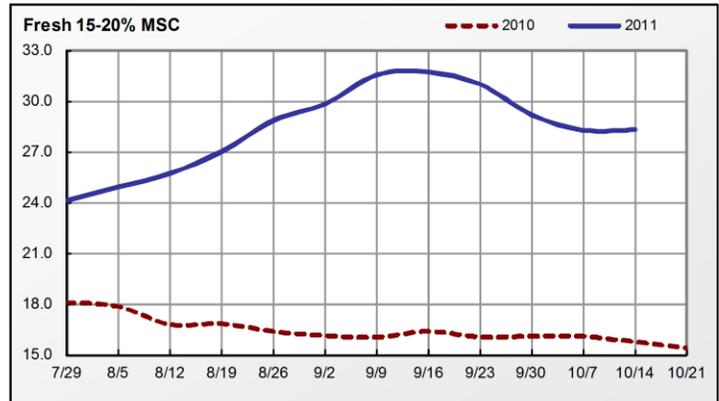
Weekly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	14-Oct-11	Last Week	Last Year	14-Oct-11	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range			-	29.00 - 31.00	32.00	18.00-19.00
Wtd Avg Price			-	30.60	32.00	18.50
Volume Traded	-	-	-	204	82	163
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	33.00 - 39.00	32.00 - 38.00	15.00-22.00	23.00 - 34.00	24.00 - 33.00	12.00-20.00
Wtd Avg Price	35.57	34.43	19.98	28.32	28.30	15.77
Volume Traded	1,954	2,065	1,944	4,233	3,600	2,576
Volume Exported	1,874	1,745	1,884	1,306	408	530
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	-	-	18.00
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	-	-	18.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	-	-	41
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



Monthly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	Sep 2011	Aug 2011	Sep 2010	Sep 2011	Aug 2011	Sep 2010
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	32.06	27.24	18.80
Volume Traded	-	-	-	839	592	408
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	32.48	27.62	20.43	30.69	26.57	16.14
Volume Traded	8,432	6,288	6,576	17,023	16,134	12,811
Volume Exported	7,872	5,888	6,336	4,406	2,489	1,999
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	-	20.67	17.75
Volume Traded	-	-	-	-	245	163
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



Note: Volume exported refers to that portion of the total volume that is destined for export markets.

LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL

Prices are trending generally steady when compared to a week earlier. Offerings are sufficient for the light to mostly moderate demand. Processing schedules are noted as normal. Retail feature activity is moderate to good. Finished product supplies are fully sufficient for current needs. Market activity is moderate.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading:

Prices in cents per pound.

Price Range

8.5-19.3

Wtd Avg

13.32

(Southeast Region broiler breeder hens generally for processing, 7 lbs. and up; under 7 lbs. subject to discount.)

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